

Sutton Veny War Graves

World War 1



Lest We Forget



56500 PRIVATE

A. L. TUBB

12TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.

25TH OCTOBER, 1918

*CWGC Headstone for Pte A. L. Tubb is located in
Grave Plot # 9. G. 2. of St. John the Evangelist Churchyard, Sutton Veny*

Aubrey Leslie TUBB

Aubrey Leslie Tubb was born in Blackwood Creek (Attestation Paper has Near Hobart), Tasmania on 20th November, 1896 to parents Alfred Daniel & Grace Amelia (Annie) Tubb (nee Hooper). His birth was registered at New Norfolk, Tasmania.

Aubrey Leslie Tubb was a 21 year old, single, Labourer from Blackwood Creek, Tasmania when he enlisted at Claremont, Tasmania on 26th November, 1917 with the 2nd (T) Reinforcements of the Australian Army (A.I.F.). His service number was 56500 & his religion was Church of England. His next of kin was listed as his father – Mr A. D. Tubb of Blackwood Creek, Tasmania.

Pte Tubb was written up for being Absent without Leave while at Claremont Camp from 7 am on 2nd January, 1918 to 7 am on 3rd January, 1918. He was punished with 5 days CC (Confined to Camp), 4 days Pack Drill & forfeited 2 days' pay.

Pte Aubrey Leslie Tubb was admitted to Field Hospital at Claremont Camp, Tasmania with Tonsillitis from 5th January, 1918 to 14th January, 1918. He was again admitted to Field Hospital at Claremont Camp with Tonsillitis from 30th January, 1918 to 5th February, 1918. Pte Tubb was admitted to Field Hospital at Claremont Camp on 7th February & discharged on 18th February, 1918 with Mumps.

Pte Tubb was written up for being Absent without Leave while at Claremont Camp from 11 pm on 24th February, 1918 to 7 am on 25th February, 1918. This was admonished & he forfeited one day's pay.

Pte Tubb was written up for being Absent without Leave while at Claremont Camp from 11.30 pm on 9th March, 1918 to 9.30 pm on 10th March, 1918. He was fined £1 & forfeited one days' pay.

Pte Tubb was written up for being Absent without Leave while at Claremont Camp from 7 am on 2nd April, 1918 until midnight on 2nd April, 1918. He was fined £1 & forfeited one days' pay.

Pte Tubb was admitted to Field Hospital at Claremont Camp on 20th April, 1918 for Observation. He was discharged on 25th April, 1918.

Pte Aubrey Leslie Tubb was appointed to Acting Lance Corporal on 31st May, 1918 while at 1st Depot Battalion, Claremont, Tasmania. He was appointed Acting Corporal on 15th June, 1918.

Private Aubrey Leslie Tubb embarked from Hobart, Tasmania on 6th July, 1918 aboard the T.S.S. *Moeraki* & disembarked at Liverpool Camp (Sydney) on 8th July, 1918.

Private Aubrey Leslie Tubb embarked from Sydney on HMAT *Borda* (A30) on 17th July, 1918. Acting Corporal was promoted to V.O. (Voyage Only) Corporal on 17th July, 1918. He was admitted to Ship's Hospital while at Sea on 7th August, 1918 with Tonsillitis & discharged on 11th August, 1918 but admitted again that day with Quinsy. He was discharged from the Ship's Hospital on 20th August, 1918. A/Corp. Tubb disembarked at London, England on 27th September, 1918. His rank reverted back to that of Private on 27th September, 1918.

Reinforcements were only given basic training in Australia. Training was completed in training units in England. Some of these were located in the Salisbury Plain & surrounding areas in the county of Wiltshire.

Private Aubrey Leslie Tubb was marched in to 1st Training Battalion at Fovant, Wiltshire on 27th September, 1918 & allotted to Reinforcements of 12th Battalion.

Private Aubrey Leslie Tubb was sent sick to Group Clearing Hospital with Pharyngitis on 4th October, 1918 then transferred the same day & admitted to the Military Hospital at Sutton Veny, Wiltshire with Inflammation of Pharynx.

Private Aubrey Leslie Tubb died at 5.15 am on 25th October, 1918 at the Military Hospital, Sutton Veny of Influenza & Broncho Pneumonia.

A death for Aubrey L. Tubb, aged 21, was registered in the December quarter, 1918 in the district of Warminster, Wiltshire.

Private Aubrey Leslie Tubb was buried at 3 pm on 31st October, 1918 in St. John the Evangelist Churchyard at Sutton Veny - Grave no. 9. From the burial report of Pte Tubb - *Coffin was polished Elm with Brass Mounts – Deceased was buried with full Military Honours. The funeral was preceded by a Firing Party and Band from the 1st Australian Training Brigade. Six of deceased's late Unit comrades supported the Pall. Three Officers and about 80 N.C.O.'s and Men from deceased's late Unit followed the remains and were present at the graveside ceremony. Headquarters A.I.F. Depots in United Kingdom were represented at the funeral.*

Pte Aubrey Leslie Tubb requested in his Will the whole of his property & effects be given to his mother – Mrs Annie Grace Tubb of Blackwood Creek, Tasmania.

Private A. L. Tubb is commemorated in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 67.



Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

A. L. Tubb is remembered on the Deloraine War Memorial located on Emu Bay Road, Deloraine



Deloraine War Memorial (Photo from Monument Australia – Diane Watson/John Huth)

A. L. Tubb is remembered on the Deloraine District Roll of Honour located in Deloraine Ex-Service Club at West Church Street, Deloraine, Tasmania. Another copy is also located in Memorial Hall, Caveside Road & Pioneer Drive, Mole Creek, Tasmania.



Deloraine District Roll of Honour (Photo from Monument Australia – John Huth(L) & Arthur Garland (R))

Pte Aubrey Leslie Tubb was entitled to British War Medal only as he had not entered a Theatre of War. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Pte Tubb's father – Mr Alfred D. Tubb (Scroll sent July, 1921 & Plaque sent November, 1922). Mrs Tubb wrote to Base Records in September, 1924 enquiring about Badges that were issued to Mothers of Deceased Soldiers. She was advised that the issue of all Badges ceased from 31st March, 1922.

The CWGC lists Private Aubrey Leslie Tubb, 56500, of 12th Battalion, Australian Infantry, A.I.F. No family details are listed.

(54 pages of Pte Aubrey Leslie Tubb's Service records are available for On Line viewing at National Archives of Australia website).

Information obtained from the Australian War Memorial (Roll of Honour, First World War Embarkation Roll) & National Archives.



Newspaper Reports

BLACKWOOD CREEK

Corporal A. L. Tubb is home from Claremont on a short visit. Norman Adams is accompanying him back to camp as a new recruit, this making the third son of Mr and Mrs R. Adams to enlist.

(Daily Telegraph, Launceston, Tasmania – Wednesday 12 June, 1918)

ROLL OF HONOUR

TASMANIAN CASUALTIES

DIED OF ILLNESS

Corpl. A. L. Tubb, Blackwood Creek, 25/10/18

(Examiner, Launceston, Tasmania – Tuesday 3 December, 1918)

ROLL OF HONOUR

TUBB – In fond and loving memory of our dear son and brother, No. 56500 Corporal A. L. Tubb, 12th Battalion, who died at Sutton Veny Military Hospital, England, on the 25th October, 1918.

Sadly we miss him, and yet in our sorrow,
Hope for the future will soften the pain;
Faith points the way to a brighter tomorrow,
And whispers a hope that we'll meet him again.

Inserted by his parents and family.

(Daily Telegraph, Launceston, Tasmania – Saturday 25 October, 1919)

Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstones

The Defence Department, in 1920/21, contacted the next of kin of the deceased World War 1 soldiers to see if they wanted to include a personal inscription on the permanent headstone at St. John the Evangelist Churchyard at Sutton Veny. Space was reserved for 66 letters only (with the space between any two words to be counted as an additional letter) & the rate per letter was around 3 ½ d (subject to fluctuation).

The expense in connection for the erection of permanent headstones over the graves of fallen soldiers was borne by the Australian Government.

(Information obtained from letters sent to next of kin in 1921)

Pte Aubrey Leslie Tubb does not have a personal inscription on his headstone.

Photo of Private A. L. Tubb's CWGC headstone in St. John the Evangelist's Churchyard, Sutton Veny, Wiltshire.



(Photo courtesy of David Milborrow)



War Graves at Sutton Veny *(Photos from CWGC)*

